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My name is Oswald K. Stender and am a resident of Kailua. I have lived in Kailua for more than 50 years. I am a native Hawaiian and was born and grew up in Hawaii. My testimony is in support Bill 11 (2012), Relating to Public Parks. As I understand it, the bill limits commercial activities on Kailua beaches and restricts the use of Kailua park from busloads of tourists. Tourists and activities that support tourism should be confined to Waikiki and areas that are designated for tourism. The residents of Hawaii should not be burdened with the overload of tourists which compromises the quality of life of the people living in our residential neighborhoods. Parks in neighborhoods were set aside for the people living in that neighborhood. It should not be used for commercial purposes and was never intended to be used to support tourism---by the busload. Mahalo for your consideration of my testimony. Aloha. Oswald K. Stender.

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